

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Tohru HIRAYAMA et al.

Serial No. NEW

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Attn: APPLICATION BRANCH

Docket No. 2001_0105A

COMPUTER COLOR-MATCHING APPARATUS
AND PAINT COLOR-MATCHING METHOD
USING THE APPARATUS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination of the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly replace pages 12, 15, 20, 23, 25, 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 34 and 36 with the following replacement pages. A marked-up copy showing the changes in the replacement pages as indicated above is attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 3, 6 and 9 as follows:

3.(AMENDED) The computer color-matching apparatus according to claim 1, wherein
a colorimeter (A) is a multiangle colorimeter.

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